Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Our great nation was founded on the belief that all Americans are created equal, and that we are guaranteed the inalienable rights of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness; and,

Whereas, The freedoms we enjoy as Americans do not come without a price; it is our United States Armed Forces Veterans who have sacrificed to protect it and our country, from all enemies foreign and domestic; and,

Whereas, Thursday, August 31, 2017, is designated as Veterans Day at the South Dakota State Fair in Huron, South Dakota; and,

Whereas, The South Dakota Department of Veterans Affairs upholds their goal to be the voice for South Dakota's veterans and as such, encourage all veterans to contact their local county or tribal veterans service officer; and,

Whereas, The Veterans Service Organizations and the County and Tribal Veterans Service Officers will have an informational booth in the Veterans Building on Flag Avenue; and,

Whereas, Dedicating this day to honor and support our veterans for their service to our country will assist veterans with reintegration by informing them of available services; and,

Whereas, The nation and free world are eternally grateful for the contributions of American Veterans to the advancement of the cause of an honorable world peace:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim August 31, 2017, as

VETERANS DAY AT THE SOUTH DAKOTA STATE FAIR

and, I further ask that all South Dakotans participate as fully as possible in the spirit of this day, remembering those who made the sacrifices, those who gave their lives, those who are disabled, those who are still missing, those who are currently serving in harms way, and all those whose lives were interrupted by their service to our country in the armed forces.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fourteenth Day of August in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seventeen.

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Shantel Krebs, Secretary of State